(b) if so, the number of establishments running in loss and the number of them running in profit; and

(c) the average annual profit being earned by these institutions alongwith the average annual loss being incurred?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The number of Central Public Sector Enterprises running in loss as well as in profit separately from 1991-92 to 1998-99 and the profit earned and loss incurred by these institutions are given in Table 1.19 of Volume I of Public Enterprises Survey 1998-99 which was laid in the Rajya Sabha on 15.3.2000 and is a published document.

**Decline in worker in Public Sector Industries**

†3123. DR. D. MASTHAN :
SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA :

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of people working in industries under public sector is declining constantly for the past few years;

(b) if so, what was the total number of people working in the said industries in the beginning of the nineties; and

(c) what is the number of people working in the said industries in March, 2000?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA) : (a) yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The number of people working in the Central Public Sector Enterprises beginning of the nineties to 31st March, 1999 (till which period the information is available) are given in Table 13.3 of Volume I of Public Enterprises Survey 1998-99 which was laid in the Rajya Sabha on 15.3.2000 and is a published document.

† Original notice of the question received in Hindi.